

COMMENT OF THE DAY

New Policy

If, as it now seems probable, Persia resumes diplomatic relations with Britain, it will contribute, more than anything else, to a satisfactory settlement of Anglo-Iranian differences. The Zohedi Government has had to move cautiously in this matter, for the Mossadegh regime had no inflated anti-British passions that any overnight reversal of policy affecting relations between Persia and Britain might easily have lost for the Shah and the Zohedi Government its hard won popular support. On the other hand, Zohedi has never disguised the fact that he intended in due time to reach a settlement with Britain in the oil dispute, and the decision of the Majlis to offer restoration of diplomatic relations is the first fruits of his cautious, but well conducted campaign to prepare Persian public opinion to accept a new policy. Even so, General Zohedi must continue to pursue a carefully calculated course. It would be fatal for him to rush into any sort of agreement with Britain or America which suggested he was surrendering Persian aspirations. His testing time as a diplomat has yet to come.

THE chief weapon which he possesses to support his policy of friendly relations with Britain is the nation's bankruptcy caused by the closing down of the oil industry following its confiscation and nationalisation by the Mossadegh regime. While there continues to exist a school of thought in Persia which believes that the country can develop a non-oil economy, the stark facts and figures recently presented by Zohedi completely discount such a theory. But though it is now certain that the Persian Government can convince the country that a settlement of the oil dispute is imperative, it would be fatal for Britain to try and drive too hard a bargain. Clearly it would be impossible for the Government to accept terms in any way inferior to the best offered during the last two years to the Mossadegh Government. Whitehall cannot be insensitive to the new situation which is now being created, and it may fairly be taken for granted that Britain will not attempt to exact conditions unacceptable to Persia.

Socialists Call For Lyttelton's Resignation

London, Dec. 2. Socialists dramatically demanded the resignation of the Colonial Secretary, Mr. Oliver Lyttelton, today for deposing the Kabaka of Buganda. The Opposition also proposed a motion of censure against the Conservative government on its handling of African affairs. Mr. Fenner Brockway led off an urgent three-hour debate for the Labour Party on the Colonial Office order deposing the African tribal leader from Uganda for demanding more independence in violation of a treaty with Britain. Mr. Brockway spoke the words of the 17th Century leader, Oliver Cromwell, which later drove Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain from office for appointing Nazi Germany. "You have stayed too long here for any good you have been doing," he thundered. Mr. Brockway crossed the House of Commons. "Depart, I say, and let us have done with you, in the name of God."

Ambassador Loses His Job

Moscow, Dec. 2. The Soviet Union has relieved Vassili V. Kuznetsov from his duties as Ambassador to China, an official announcement said today. The announcement indicated that Mr. Kuznetsov remains Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Soviet Union. The President of the Supreme Soviet appointed Mr. Pavel Fedorovich Yudin to succeed Mr. Kuznetsov as Ambassador in Peking. The announcement by the Soviet news agency, Tass, gave no reason for the change.—Reuter.

Bermuda Conference

Prospects SIR WINSTON CHURCHILL HAS ADVANTAGES

Hamilton, Bermuda, Dec. 3. Sir Winston Churchill will have some distinct diplomatic and political advantages over his United States and French colleagues at this week's Big Three conference here.

First, under the terms of protocol, the British Prime Minister is host of the conference in this British territory and will presumably be elected Chairman at the opening session of the conference on Friday.

Although President Eisenhower as head of state ranks above a Prime Minister, Sir Winston Churchill is senior in years to both the President and M. Laniel, the French Prime Minister.

He is also the only surviving member of the great wartime Big Three. From the political point of view, Sir Winston Churchill can speak with greater assurance of backing from his home legislature than either M. Laniel or President Eisenhower.

M. Laniel is expected here today after his failure to obtain a clear majority support in the French National Assembly for his foreign policy and his Administration.

The Assembly vote maintained M. Laniel in office, but only after a large section of the Assembly had announced they were abstaining from opposition only because the Laniel Administration was bound constitutionally to resign in a few weeks' time.

M. Laniel and M. Georges Bidault, his Foreign Minister, have said they will ask for "positive guarantees on such questions as the maintenance of British and United States forces in Europe."

They themselves, however, are not in a position to offer any commitments in return except those of a most general character not requiring ratification by the French Assembly.

STRONGER POSITION—President Eisenhower is in a stronger political position than M. Laniel, but his party is also only maintained in power and control in Congress by the slim margin of majorities and faces a general Congressional election in 14 months' time.

Like the Laniel Administration, the Eisenhower Administration is dependent for passage of foreign policy legislation on the support of groups otherwise opposed to his Administration.

There have recently been warnings even from these groups in the Democratic ranks in Congress that continued support of their bipartisan foreign policy is being seriously endangered by the frankly partisan handling by Administration leaders of the current investigation of alleged spies in the previous Truman Administration.

It will be difficult for President Eisenhower to make far-reaching and unqualified commitments involving United States aid and manpower overseas for another reason. Powerful groups within his own Party are pressing hard for heavy cuts in expenditure, which can only be accomplished by reductions under both these categories.

United States spokesmen have therefore various reasons for hesitating to make any exploratory category of this week's talks, in spite of more precise statements from London and Paris about what the British and French leaders will propose.

ASSURANCES—Within these limitations, President Eisenhower is expected to give certain assurances to the French about the maintenance of United States ground forces in Europe, continuance of United States aid in the Indo-Chinese war and the strengthening of equipment of the North Atlantic alliance.

He will also be able to promise Sir Winston Churchill to do his best to persuade Congress to lift some of the restrictions hampering United States and British co-operation in research, development, production and use of atomic weapons.

He will be prepared to discuss the "if, how and when" of Churchill's proposals for top-level contacts with the Soviet leaders.

example, anything of such a precise nature as the expected treaty between Britain and the European Defence Community powers defining Britain's military commitments in Europe.

Sir Winston Churchill is in a better position to make precise promises here, even if the contents of those promises are not as luxurious as those desired by his colleagues.

He commands a "surety" if small, majority in Parliament. He is also assured of added support from the Opposition on most of the basic issues before the conference, and in particular, on the question of renewed contact with the Soviet leaders.

HAND STRENGTHENED—Unlike President Eisenhower, Sir Winston Churchill is in a constitutional position to ask for a collective vote of confidence on his foreign policies from his legislature.

Unlike M. Laniel, he is in a position to ask for it and get it. The latest Soviet note "agreeing" to the proposed four-power Foreign Ministers conference has strengthened Sir Winston Churchill's hand in another way.

After the receipt of the earlier negative Soviet note of November 3, it had been contended by United States spokesmen that the Russians did not wish to confer with the West, that the current phase of attempts to talk with them was now closed and that it was "unpractical" to discuss further Sir Winston Churchill's proposals for a top-level Big Four meeting.

The view taken by the Eisenhower Administration was that the Bermuda conference must review the world policies on certain assumptions and make certain decisions where necessary for action independent of the Soviet Union.

The more positive line taken by the latest Soviet note has removed the basis for these assumptions.

Even if the Russians are unwilling to make concessions, they are willing to talk. The purpose of the Bermuda conference, at times divergently described by spokesmen for the three Governments, has once more become definable in terms outlined by Sir Winston Churchill to the House of Commons: first, to strengthen Western defence; second, to reassure the peaceful intentions of the West's peaceful intentions; and third, to discuss best methods and occasions of making easy, practical contacts with the Soviet leaders to reduce world tension.—Reuter.

STARTS TOMORROW—The Big Three conference here between Sir Winston Churchill, British Prime Minister, President Eisenhower and French Premier Joseph Laniel is expected to get under way here late on Friday.

A tentative programme drawn up by the three delegations, but still to be confirmed by the principals, calls for the first meeting at 3 p.m. GMT Friday (11K time 8 a.m. Saturday).

The first delegation, headed by Sir Winston Churchill, which landed here yesterday, were Sir Winston Churchill, Mr. George Bidault, French Foreign Minister, and Mr. Jean Monnet, French Economic Minister.

Xmas Fair Opening



Queen Louise of Sweden arrives to open the Christmas Fair arranged by the Swedish Women's Relief Fund at the Swedish Hall in London, and is presented with flowers by Swedish children in national dress.—London Express.

Bizarre Slaying Of Insurance Agent

Los Angeles, Dec. 2. Recovery of the victim's motor car gave Police their third clue in the bizarre slaying of an insurance agent by a killer, either crazed or hired, who answered his car-for-sale advertisement.

Bartender Jack London, reporting for duty at 8 a.m., discovered the abandoned cream-coloured Mercury in a parking lot in the heart of Los Angeles some 20 miles from the murder scene.

The dead man is Andrew J. Kmiec. He was shot before his horrified girl friend.

Previously, the authorities had only two slender leads, a pair of glasses believed dropped by the gunman at the scene, near Whittier, California, and the killer's statement that he had his car repaired at a garage along the route the trio drove from Los Angeles.

Police technicians photographed the car and finger-printed it while homicide inspectors puzzled over the change in plates. The gunman had switched the Indiana licence plates for a single California rear plate believed stolen from C. Porter, of Compton, California.

The car's white leather cushions were soaked with blood and blood had splattered the fenders and the tyres. A bullet had pierced the left front window.

SHOT THREE TIMES—Kmiec was shot twice in the head and once in the stomach after the killer telephoned in answer to Kmiec's advertisement and had Kmiec drive toward Whittier with the explanation that "my wife wants to see the car."

Miss Dolly Ann McCormick, 21, who accompanied Kmiec, told of an "hour of horror" during which the gunman forced Kmiec into the back seat and made her "drive around in circles" after he told Kmiec "you've got an enemy who hired me to kill you" and refused Kmiec's offer of money, the car and stocks and bonds.

She told Sheriff's deputies: "Andy kept pleading for his life, but the man said: 'Not a chance. I've been hired to do a job—and I'm just sorry the girl had to be along.'"

"Then I heard the first shot and saw a flash. I kicked open the door and started to run down the road. I heard two more shots. I saw a car and flagged it down."

Nam II Accused Of Being Master-Mind Behind Camp Riots

United Nations, Dec. 2. The United States charged today that General Nam II, North Korea's spokesman at the Korean armistice talks, master-minded staged riots in which Communist prisoners lost their lives in United Nations prison camps.

"This must set some kind of record for international double talk and double dealing," the United States Ambassador, Mr. Henry Cabot Lodge, Jr., told the United Nations General Assembly.

Mr. Lodge put formally before the Assembly his proposal—advanced earlier in a Press statement—for an impartial commission to investigate Communist atrocities against United Nations troops and civilians which the United States charges resulted in 35,000 deaths, including 10,000 slain.

Mr. Lodge asked the Soviet delegate, Mr. Andrei Y. Vyshinsky to "give his support and also secure the acceptance of the Chinese and North Korean regimes to a proposal to constitute a committee of the International Red Cross as a commission of inquiry to investigate the facts underlying these 'atrocity' charges."

Replying to Mr. Vyshinsky's charge that Americans were guilty of atrocities in the killing of Communist prisoners during riots in United Nations POW camps, Mr. Lodge said:

ELABORATE SYSTEM—The Soviet representative referred to prison camp riots. These were instigated by the Communist High Command for the deliberate purpose of putting the United Nations High Command in the worst possible light while the armistice talks were going on (at Panmunjom).

There was an elaborate command system inside and outside the prison compounds such as never were seen in World War II or any other war. Inside of the compounds, through terroristic methods, thousands of innocent prisoners were organized to commit mass acts of violence in which some of them lost their lives—a matter of complete indifference to the Communist authorities who, of course, regard man as merely a pawn of the State and whose life is well destroyed in the interest of so-called grand strategy.

Mr. Vyshinsky promptly rejected the proposal for an investigation and ridiculed Mr. Lodge's charges against Nam II. "To say that General Nam II was in charge of what was happening in Korea, this is really absurd," said Mr. Vyshinsky. "One should try to produce some evidence to support these allegations."

Of the American proposal for a Red Cross investigation of the Korean atrocities, Mr. Vyshinsky said: "I must say this is rather an eleven-hour proposal, obviously demagogic in character, designed for public consumption. No such serious investigation is contemplated."

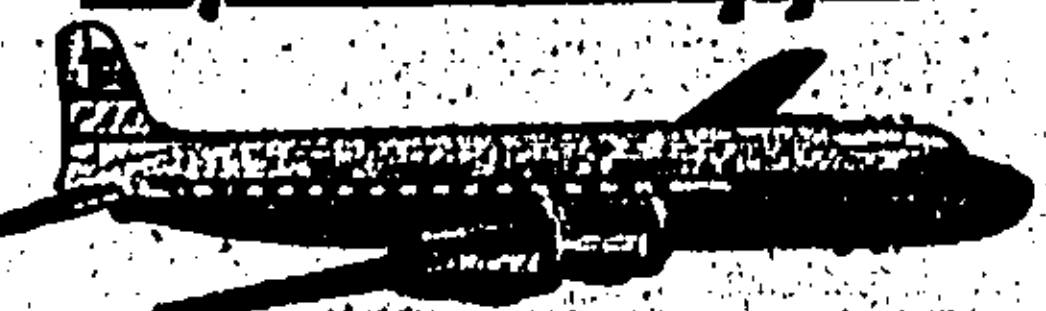
The British Foreign Office was still awaiting the announcement from Peking promised by a British spokesman on Monday to reopen diplomatic contacts. Britain would warmly welcome such a declaration, according to officials here.—China Mail Special.

BRITAIN AND PERSIA

London, Dec. 2. Britain and Persia are expected to resume diplomatic relations within the next few days as a preliminary to negotiating a settlement of the 30-month-old oil dispute, informed diplomatic sources said today.

Teheran broke off diplomatic ties with London a year ago and since then neither country has been represented in the other's capital.

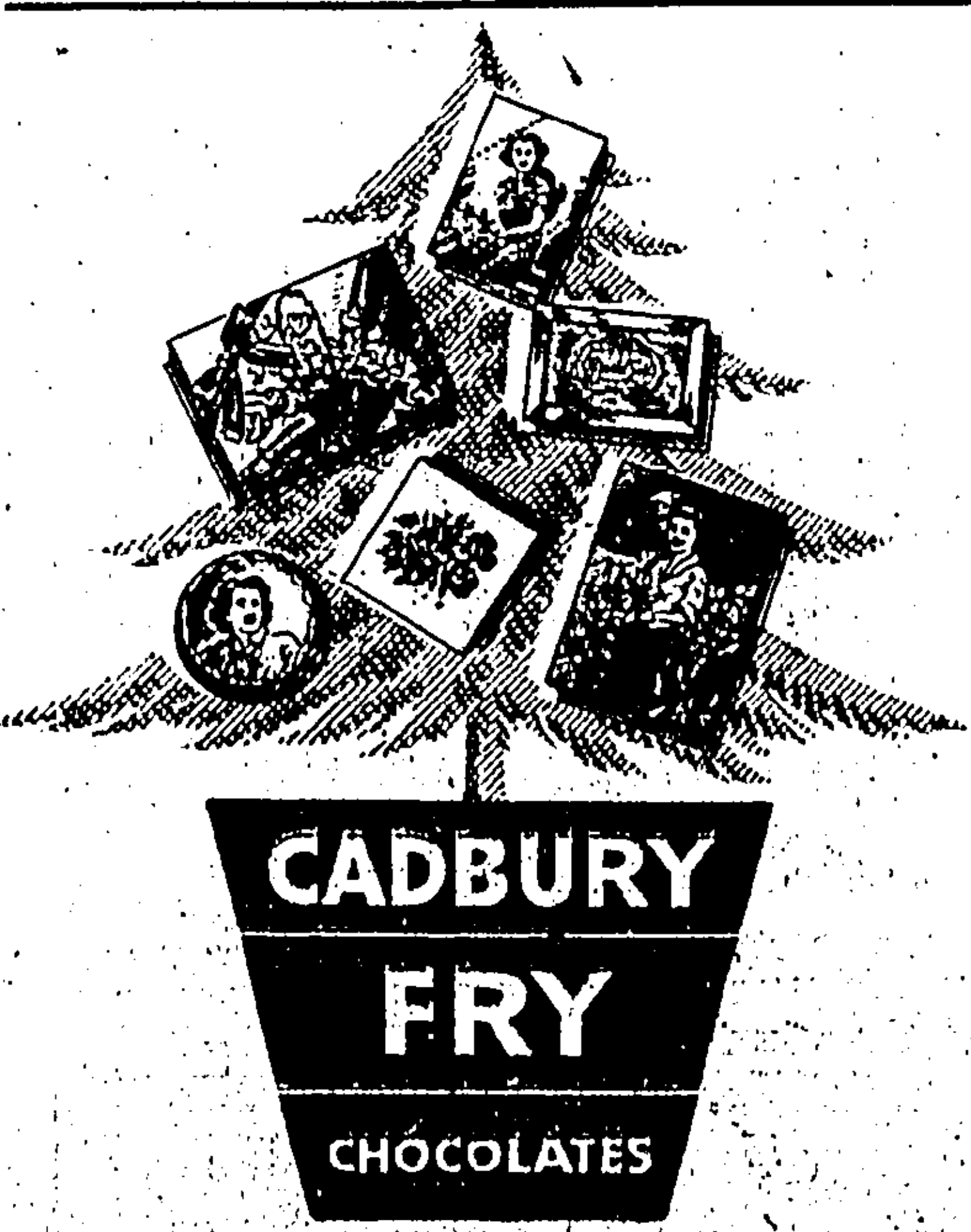
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Siamese Twins



Siamese twin babies born in Nigeria are pictured with a nurse at Hammersmith Hospital, London. The twins, 3½-month-old girls, had just arrived at the Hospital, where they will be separated by means of a delicate surgical operation. They had flown to Britain accompanied by their mother, 30-year-old Mrs. V. Iweri, and were taken from London Airport to the Hospital by ambulance.—Reutersphoto.

Trade Unionism Lost Basic Character In Soviet Satellites

Vienna, Dec. 2.

Official Communist statements and press reports indicate that trade unionism has lost its basic character in the Soviet satellite countries.

Under the former "capitalist" regimes, the workers regarded the trade unions as instruments fighting for their interests. As such, they were supposed to be non-political bodies whose sole aim was to support the workers in their struggle for better living standards.

Today, under the Communist regimes, trade unions in the satellite states have to carry out Government decisions, improve work and discipline, induce the workers to work harder, obey party instructions and combat capitalism, Zionism, social democracy and other hostile influences.

Workers are also compelled to attend party training and Russian language courses after working hours.

In other words the trade unions have become just another sub-organisation of the local Communist party. This is in line with the late Marshal Stalin's declaration that "the party must change the trade unions into auxiliary agencies and transmission belts linking the party to the working class."

SOVIET VIEW

Newspaper reports show, however, that the Soviet view of the function of trade unions is not wholeheartedly accepted, especially by older trade union members and officials.

"Nova Svoboda", the Communist newspaper in Ostrava, reported, for instance that Adolf Zidek, a trade union official and chairman of the Stalingrad steel works council at Liskovec in Czechoslovakia, was dismissed and arrested because he had threatened to stage a strike in protest against his workers not receiving any potatoes.

The newspaper commented that Zidek was one of those who "did not want to surrender himself to party discipline."

The Communist attitude to strikes is that they are a weapon against "capitalist oppressors" of the workers. In Communist countries, strikes are forbidden.

8-HOUR DAY

Anton Zapotocky, the former Czechoslovak Prime Minister, declared in July 1952, that the 8-hour day is a "capitalist relic." Under capitalism, workers had to fight for an 8-hour day in order to get "sufficient time to organize their fight against capitalism."

But today, there is nothing unusual about a 12-hour day, or a 7-day working week. In Communist countries, Sunday as a holiday is slowly disappearing.

"Voluntary" socialist competitions aimed at making workers work harder, are usually held on Sundays. Two or three firms take part in these competitions which are in fact intended to make up the deficit in the work week.

With the new type trade unions, new collective contracts have been introduced. Whereas contracts usually protect the workers from getting too low

Threat Of War Not Yet Diminished: Adm. Radford

Washington, Dec. 2.

Red China would like to control Japan, Formosa, the Philippines and Indo-China, but there must be no "further expansion of the power of militant international Communism in Asia," Admiral Radford said today.

The Admiral, who holds America's highest-ranking military office, told the 5th annual student conference at the United States Military Academy, that "unfortunately, the threat of war has not diminished."

He said that Russia's development of nuclear weapons made it necessary for free nations to "step up" their defence plans.

Quoting the British Prime Minister, Sir Winston Churchill's recent statement that the "sense of crisis in our world relations is less than it was two years ago," Admiral Radford said that the sense of crisis "seems" less but there had been "no reduction in the truly vast military force with which the Soviet Union continues to threaten the free world."

Admiral Radford referred to Russia's A-bomb and H-bomb tests and said that the Soviets "have the capability of atomic attack upon us."

Such fearful weapons made war more "disadvantageous than ever before," he said. But, he added, "we cannot be sure that all nations see it this way."

"Therefore," he added, "the existence of nuclear weapons in the hands of the Soviet requires every nation to step up its plans for defence."

"SENSITIVE SPOTS"

Commenting on other "sensitive" spots in the world, Admiral Radford made these points:

1.—Korea: United Nations forces must remain there until a "solution" to the Korean problem is worked out. An armistice does not mean that the Kremlin has abandoned its goals.

2.—Far East: Red China would like to control Japan, Formosa, the Philippines and Indo-China, but there must be no "further expansion of the power of militant international Communism in Asia."

3.—Middle East: Conflict between Israel and the Arab States is a "menace to peace in the area," which can "hardly be over-estimated militarily and economically."

Admiral Radford added that Europe had a "formidable task in building defences against a possible Russian attack, but there was 'reason for optimism.' Europe would do well to merge itself into 'a single major power in world affairs,' he said.

—United Press.

Stevenson Returning To Cairo

London, Dec. 2.

The British Ambassador to Egypt, Sir Ralph Stevenson, who left Cairo last June to undergo an operation in England, will leave London on December 10 to resume his post, the Foreign Office stated tonight.

Sir Ralph is due to arrive in Egypt by ship on December 17. "Whichever date he takes tonight that the Ambassador would not be given new instructions before his departure as the British government's view on the Suez question had not changed."

These circles, however, considered it probable that a meeting would take place between the Ambassador and the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Anthony Eden, after the Bermuda conference.

"It was considered here that, in view of the fact that Sir Ralph will arrive in Cairo soon after the final results of the Sudan elections, it might be possible to resume the Anglo-Egyptian talks on the Suez Canal."

These talks, conducted by the British Charge d'Affaires, Mr. Robert Hankey (former British Minister in Budapest) and General Sir Brian Robertson (lasted from July 30 to October 21.—France-Press.

No Sudden Change In US Forces

New York, Dec. 2.

The Chairman of the US Joint Chiefs of Staff, Admiral Arthur Radford, stated today that the Chiefs of Staff were opposed to any sudden change in the defence setup.

Speaking at a meeting of the American Artillery Association, Admiral Radford stressed that he agreed with Defence Secretary Charles Wilson that the best plans should be made gradually.

For this reason, he added, the Chiefs of Staff submitted as early as October, this year, their recommendations regarding the combat forces for the 1955 financial year.

He pointed out that these plans contained no important change except for certain reinforcements in the American continental Force.—France-Press.

TEXTILE MACHINERY PRODUCERS WARNED

Manchester, Dec. 2.

Valika Salfuddin, a director of several big Karachi textile mills, warned British manufacturers of textile machinery today that they must provide more efficient service to compete with Japan, Germany and the United States, now making strong bids for Asian markets.

One of four Pakistani brothers who own cotton, woolen, and oil cloth mills in Karachi, Valika Salfuddin has just spent 90 million rupees (about £2,000,000) on Lancashire textile machinery—his biggest ever order.

But as a regular customer he said he felt entitled to point out that British firms did not give him the service which was due. He had two complaints:

"Every time I place an order with British firms I am told my machinery cannot be delivered for another two or three years," he said.

"If I buy from Japan I am guaranteed delivery in about six months. And when the Japanese supply plant, they send a team of good technicians to make sure that the machines are running well. When a new mill is opened they sometimes stay for a period of two years. I have never had any technicians from Britain," he said.

GREAT STRIDES

"Britain should bear in mind that at least three countries—Japan, Germany and the United States—are making great strides in textile machinery and are selling at lower prices."

Valika Salfuddin emphasised that he still preferred to trade with Britain for two reasons. "Your machinery is well-made and durable and Pakistan is anxious to maintain the best relations with you."

Mr Salfuddin is technical adviser to the family's mills, and is at present touring Europe with his wife Zehra. He visits his Manchester office each year.—Cibria Mail Special.

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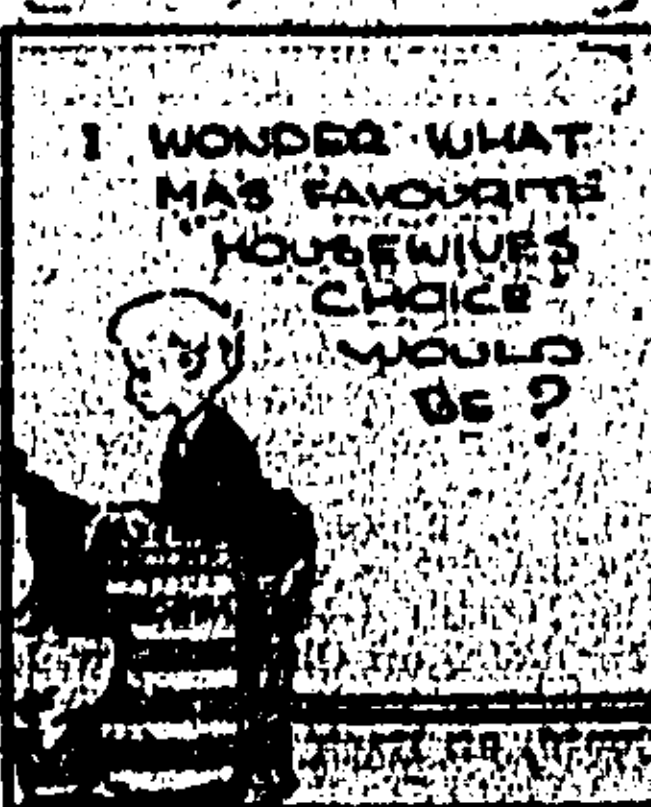
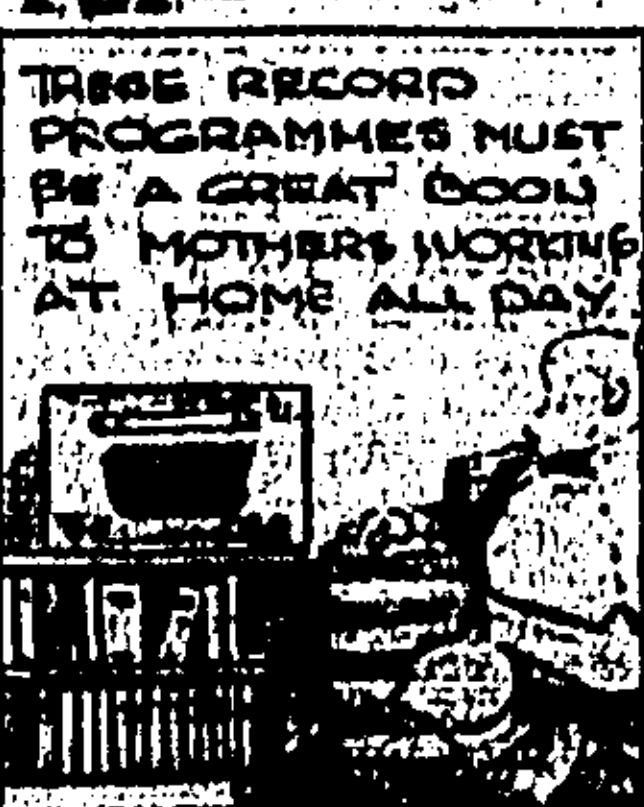
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'SACRIFICE OF POLAND'

Russia Charges Britain In United Nations

Rebuilding Of South Korea

United Nations, Dec. 2. Henry Ford II declared in the United Nations today that reconstruction of the Republic of Korea "is a demand upon the collective conscience of the free world."

Mr Ford said that the United States would support a resolution calling on all nations to meet their pledges for the United Nations Korean Reconstruction Agency (UNKRA).

The resolution also would urge nations who are not contributors to join in aiding Korean reconstruction.

"The Korean peninsula, we must not forget, is not the only battleground of the present struggle of the free world for survival," Mr Ford told the General Assembly's Economic Committee.

OTHER NATIONS

"Other small nations are menaced. They are watching what we do in Korea. The Republic of Korea has become a pilot project demonstrating what the United Nations does in assisting victims of aggression."

Mr Ford joined Lieut-General John B. Coulter, UNKRA Agent-General in appealing for increases in pledges and the fulfillment of pledges already made to the Korean Reconstruction Fund.

General Coulter told the Committee that "the present financial plight of the agency is so desperate that the Agent-General feels that he must, in all candour and honesty, advise this body that it does not have the funds nor the prospect of receiving funds to carry out the programme originally planned."

He said that "against the \$207,000,000 pledged, UNKRA has received only \$89,000,000. We therefore have unfulfilled pledges of \$118,000,000. These must be collected."—United Press.

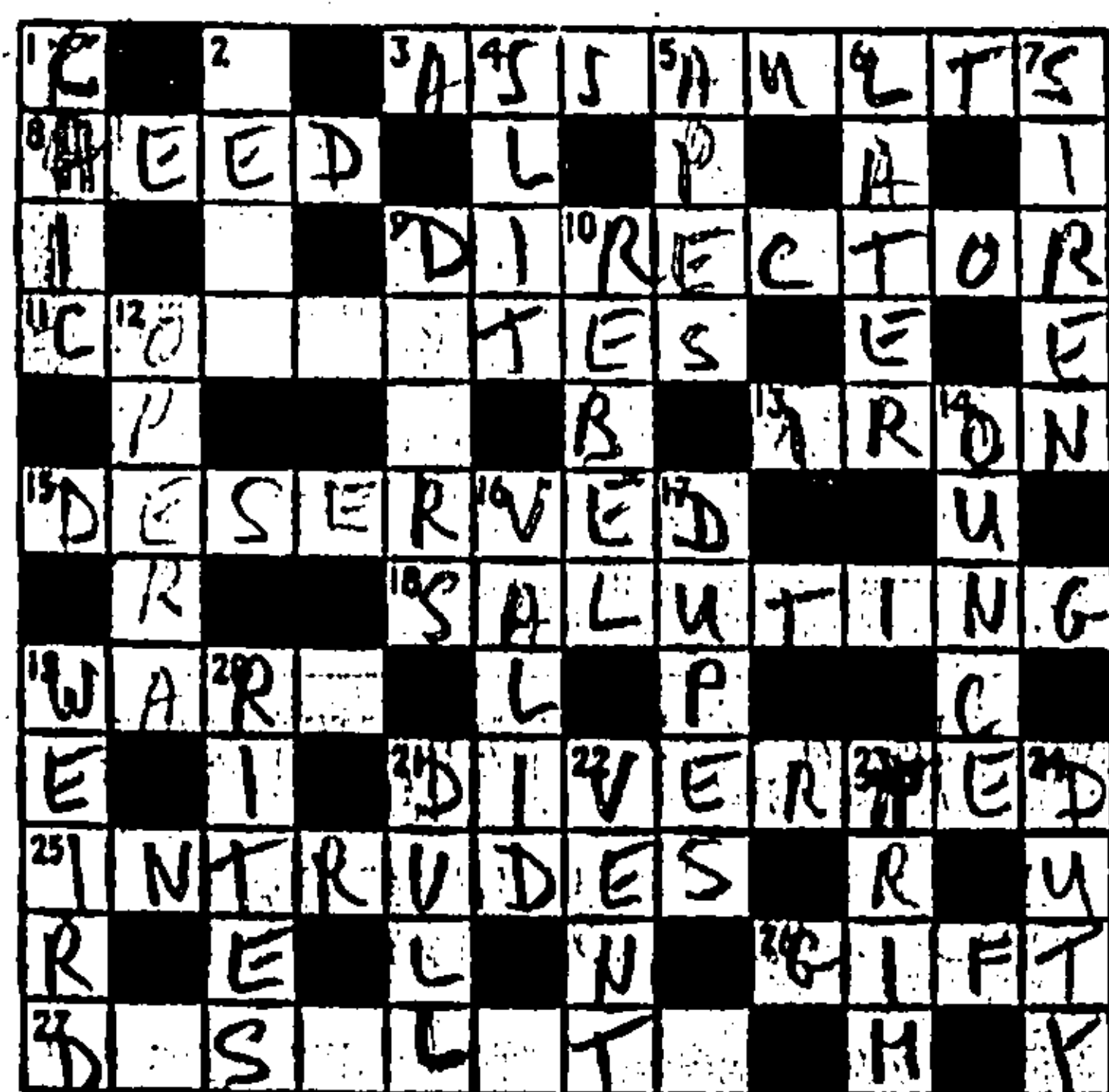
SPY TRIAL

Warsaw, Dec. 2. A trial involving an alleged spy ring will open here tomorrow, it was learned here tonight.

Three men will be tried on charges of spying for the Bonn Government and with the backing of the United States.

The three accused are Heinz Jandolight, Adolf Muehner, and Conrad Wruok.—France-Press.

A British Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

- 3 Attacks (8).
- 8 Take notice (4).
- 9 Business chief (8).
- 11 Reckons (6).
- 12 Metal (4).
- 13 Credited (8).
- 18 Greeting ceremoniously (8).
- 19 Growth (4).
- 21 Amused (6).
- 25 Treasures (8).
- 26 Present (4).
- 27 Abandoned (8).

DOWN

- 1 Smart (4).
- 2 Period (4).
- 4 Narrow opening (4).
- 5 Initiates (4).
- 6 Subsequently (5).
- 7 Eccentrics (5).
- 9 Fops (5).
- 10 Insurgent (5).
- 12 Musical work (5).
- 14 Weight (5).
- 15 Sound (5).
- 17 Gulls (5).
- 18 Eerie (5).
- 20 Ceremonies (5).
- 21 Uninteresting (4).
- 22 Opening (4).
- 23 Meat (4).
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YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD—Across: 1. Walrus. 4. Porcupine. 5. Green. 9. General. 11. Reginald. 12. Mustard. 13. Green. 15. Corporal. 20. Tanks. 21. Lollipops. 22. Down. 23. Wagon. 24. Flots. 25. Steeples. 26. Precious. 27. Reluctant. 28. Saboteur. 29. Suggests. 30. Admiral. 31. Regret. 32. Lapses. 33. Spoils. 34. Taper. 35. Embarked. 36. Lapses. 37. Spoils. 38. Taper. 39. Embarked. 40. Lapses. 41. Spoils. 42. Taper. 43. Embarked. 44. Lapses. 45. Spoils. 46. Taper. 47. Embarked. 48. Lapses. 49. Spoils. 50. Taper. 51. Embarked. 52. Lapses. 53. Spoils. 54. Taper. 55. Embarked. 56. Lapses. 57. Spoils. 58. Taper. 59. Embarked. 60. Lapses. 61. Spoils. 62. Taper. 63. Embarked. 64. Lapses. 65. Spoils. 66. Taper. 67. Embarked. 68. Lapses. 69. Spoils. 70. Taper. 71. Embarked. 72. Lapses. 73. Spoils. 74. Taper. 75. Embarked. 76. Lapses. 77. Spoils. 78. Taper. 79. Embarked. 80. Lapses. 81. Spoils. 82. Taper. 83. Embarked. 84. Lapses. 85. Spoils. 86. Taper. 87. Embarked. 88. Lapses. 89. Spoils. 90. 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Colonel UP and Mr. DOWN... by Walter

• BY • THE • WAY •
by Beachcomber

ONCE more tailors are asking men to be more adventurous and unconventional in their dress.

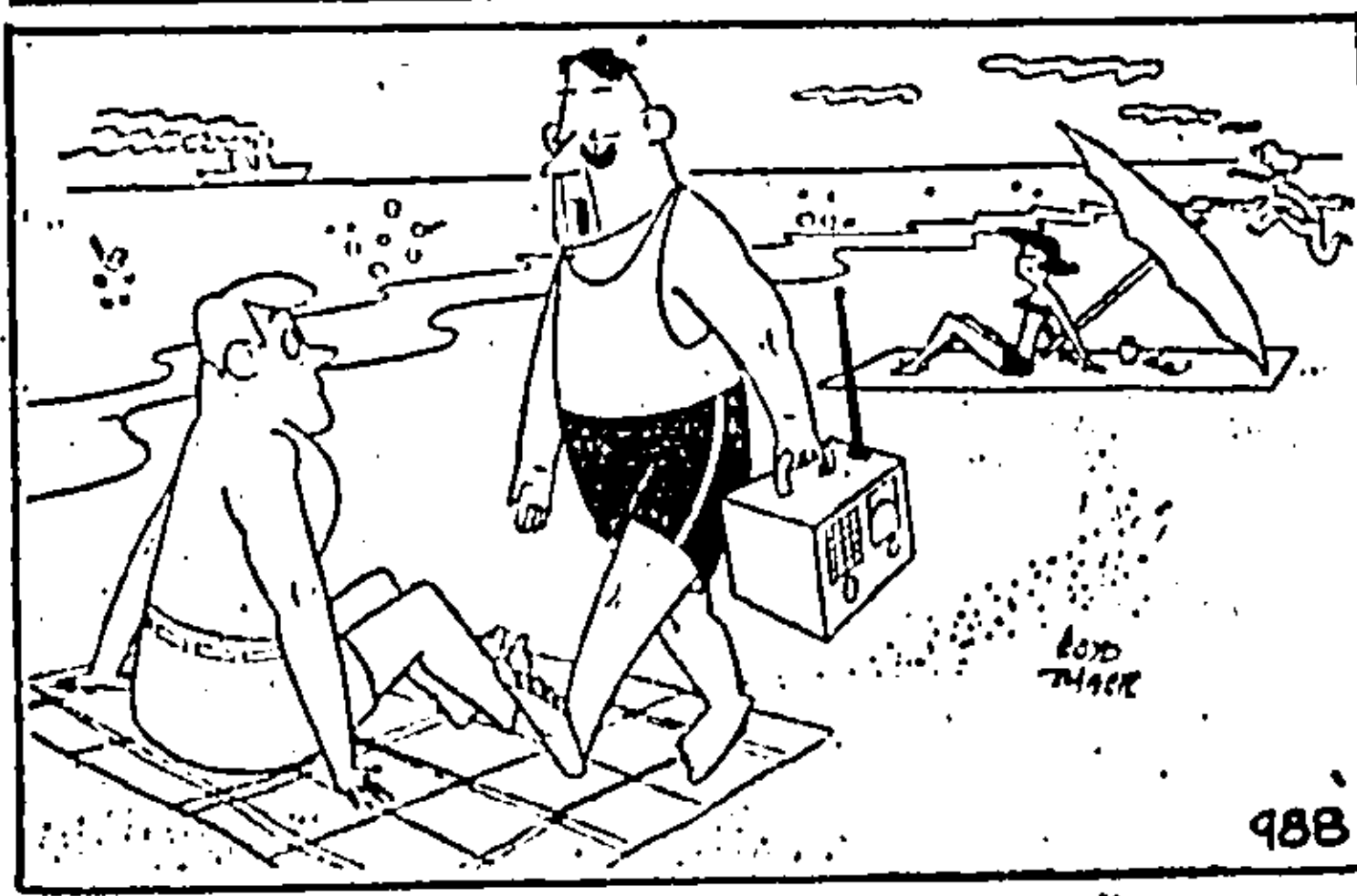
But it is not necessary to waste money on tailors. A beginning can be made by wearing the coat back to front, the collar upside down, the hat strapped to the left knee, the both legs in one trouser, the other round the waist, use the braces as a sleeve, tuck the other into a waistcoat pocket. Put the socks on over the shoes and wear them on spats. That may not be the road to success in business, or to a woman's heart, but it will give you a feeling of being "different."

She flies in

A YOUNG reporter at London Airport, already weary of these actresses, greeted the newest arrival brusquely. "And whose seventh wife are you?" he asked.

From the postbag

MRS. HELL has evidently never tried to rescue a parrot from a smoke-filled room. The conqueror called her a bird of the night when I asked him to stop whistling through his teeth. People who collect stamps mind their own business, which is more than can be said for A. H. Ewen, who wants to force us all to walk on the left of the pavement. What is so funny about



"Very poor reception in that area."

YOUR BIRTHDAY... By STELLA

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 3

BORN today, although you are well beloved by all, you have a rather vacillating temperament and are inclined to do unexpected things which try the patience of your friends and family. You have a keen sense of humor and a good deal of common sense. A party can be dying with the first canapé—and you can bring it to life with your entrance. Suddenly you will be a bright star and your women might even make a career of it. You choose—being the social leader of your group.

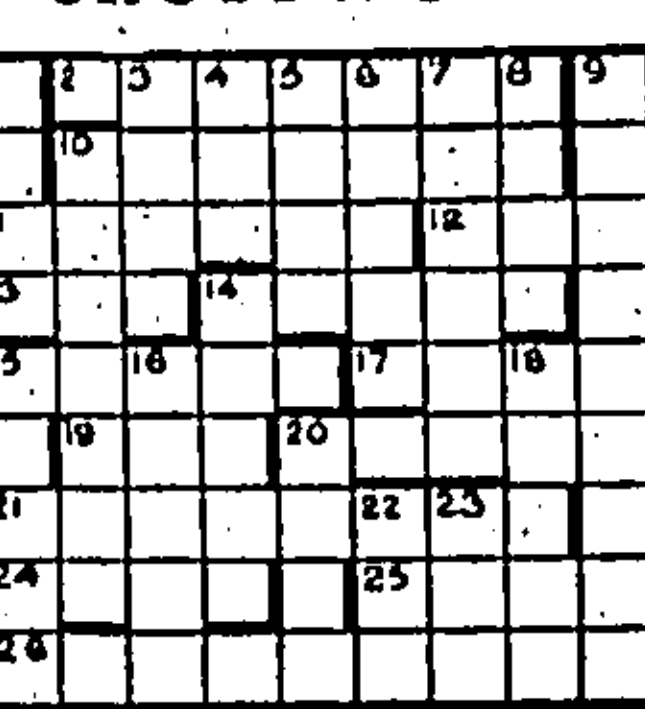
You are generous and like to do things for others. If you do have wealth, you will probably expend a great part of it in philanthropic ventures, which will truly benefit those who are less fortunate than you are.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 4

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 22)—Remember that there is a time for play as well as for work. Why not entertain this evening? Don't procrastinate. (Dec. 23-Jan. 20)—A fine day for writing—literary efforts if so inclined, otherwise your correspondence. (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—You will be wise if you do not plan to travel this week. Staying at home will be more fun. (Feb. 20-Mar. 20)—This is a good day for advance in business. See that you keep right on the job all the time. (Mar. 21-Apr. 20)—Be practical. Day-dreaming and wishful thinking is all right in its place. This is not the place. (Apr. 21-May 21)—Finish up work already begun and wait for a new week before beginning anything new.

GEMINI (May 22-June 21)—If you tackle a difficult job early in the morning, the rest of your work will seem like a child's play. (June 22-July 21)—Make the most of any opportunities offered to you now. Don't procrastinate. Either, make up your mind. (July 22-Aug. 22)—Make all your arrangements for the holiday week-end. If done, thus far in advance, everything will go as planned. (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)—Brain work is important today. See that you are functioning on all cylinders and are ready to face any crisis. (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)—Illusions can too easily turn into delusions. So face facts today and act only upon them. (Oct. 23-Nov. 22)—Don't let yourself be too critical of

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• JACOBY ON BRIDGE

Takes Expert To Play This Hand

By OSWALD JACOBY

VERY few bridge players would make the correct play in today's hand. The average player's first step, when he is declarer, is to draw trumps.

When West opens the jack of hearts, South cannot afford to lead even a single trump. If he does, East will take the king of trumps and lead another heart. This takes away South's remaining high heart and now South cannot prevent the loss of two trumps, a heart and a club.

It is really quite easy for South to see this all coming, and he should therefore make plans to prevent it. The only way to avoid the loss of a heart trick is to establish dummy's clubs immediately in order to obtain a discard.

South therefore wins the first trick with the king of hearts and immediately returns the

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♥ AK6			
♦ AQ3			
♣ J7			
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South	West	North	East
1 ♠	Pass	2 ♠	Pass
4 ♠	Pass	Pass	Pass
Opening lead—♥ J			

Jack of clubs. West takes the ace of clubs and leads another heart, forcing out South's ace. Now South leads a club to dummy and gets rid of his losing heart on dummy's extra club. (If West has refused the first club trick, South can get to dummy with the king of diamonds—in order to obtain his discard on the third club).

Only after South has discarded his losing heart can he afford to lead a trump.

CARD Sense

Q—With both sides vulnerable, the bidding has been: North East South West 1 Diamond Double. You, South, hold: Spades 5-2, Hearts K-6-3-2, Diamonds Q-J-3-2, Clubs 7-6-4. What do you do?

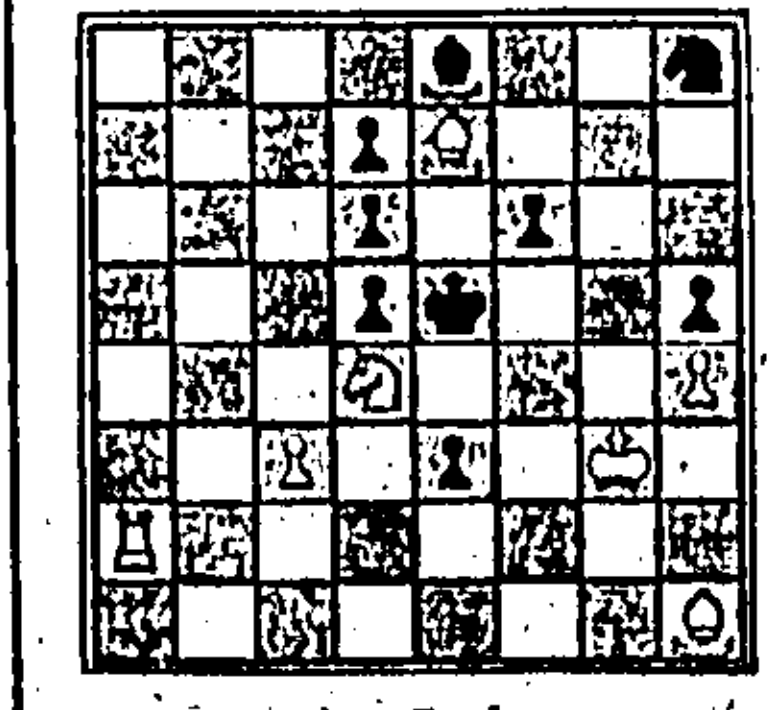
A—Bid two diamonds. This raises behind the double is a mild pre-empt, showing good trump support, a short suit on the side, and perhaps 7 or 8 points altogether.

TODAY'S QUESTION

The bidding is the same as in the question just answered. You, South, hold: Spade 5-2, Hearts K-6-3-2, Diamonds Q-J-3-2, Clubs 7-6-4. What do you do?

Answer Tomorrow

CHESS PROBLEM

By A. CASA
Black, 9 pieces.

White, 7 pieces.
White to play; mate in three.
Solution to yesterday's problem: 1. B-R1, any; 2. Q, or R mate.

WHAT'S HIS LINE?

RALPH G. O. REITH
Re-arrange the letters to spell his occupation.
(Solution on Page 10)

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DEVELOPING THE CHILD'S ATTENTION

By Garry C. Myers, P.H.D.

SUPPOSE your child's teacher informs you that he is not attentive at school, does not co-operate well or "needs to improve in citizenship." You may believe she means that you should command, scold or punish the child at home to make him more attentive and co-operative at school and a better citizen there. Unfortunately, an occasional teacher does mean just this.

However, most teachers assume that the parent will work at home in scores of everyday situations helping, this child to be more attentive and co-operative and prove himself a better citizen at school.

Consult His Teacher

Have a conference with the teacher in which you and she can agree on how you might practise this child at home during the next several weeks or months to help him improve in the necessary ways.

Have no faith in ordering your child at home to pay better attention and work better with his teacher and the other children at school. Of course, at quiet companionable moments with this child, you might be able to help him so that he could be happier at school and get along better there if he tried to watch and listen carefully to everything done and said at school. This would be very different from scolding him for his not doing as he should at school.

Winning His Attention

Even the teacher can't cause the child to pay attention well or to keep concentrating long by telling him to do so. She can, to be sure, cause him to be in his place and to be in a physical position for attending. But real attention goes on in

side the child. He attends best to what appeals to him, to what he feels is worth attending, and what he can succeed at doing. In short, he attends and concentrates best when he is learning best. Anything we can do to help him gain more success at book learning should help in this direction.

Concentration At Home

At home, we can further cultivate his attention and concentration by making sure we have his sole attention before we make a simple request or

command of him, by encouraging him to finish what he has begun, and by reading to him. In everything he volunteers to do, or is required to do at home, he gets practice at good or bad co-operation and living with others or citizenship. A test of good citizenship at home is seen in all the ways the child reveals consideration for the rights and feelings of other persons there.

Improving a child's ways at school is not done in a few minutes, but in many weeks and months. It goes on and on indefinitely.

Left-over Ham Made Into A Zesty Dish

By ALICE DENHOFF

CREAMED ham and eggs on toasted corn bread is a zesty dish indeed, good for Sunday breakfast, a delicious supper special, not to mention lively luncheon fare. It also provides a nice way of using the left-over tidbits from a boiled or baked ham.

Creamed Ham and Eggs

For 6 good servings, melt 1 1/2 tsp. butter; stir in 2 tsp. flour. Add 1 c. boiling water, stirring to keep smooth. Cook until sauce begins to thicken. Add 1 c. evaporated milk. Continue cooking until sauce is thickened.

Add 2 c. diced, baked or boiled ham and 4 diced, hard-cooked eggs, mixing lightly to prevent eggs from crumbling. (Salt may be added, but usually the ham is salty enough to take care of the sauce.) Serve on squares of corn bread which have been split, toasted and buttered while piping hot.

Hot Corn Bread

To prepare the corn bread, pour 1/2 c. boiling water over 1 c. corn meal, stirring to blend well. Let cool. Corn meal should absorb all the water and still be mealy. Beat in 1 egg yolk, 1 tsp. salt, 1/2 c. evaporated milk and water. Fold in one beaten egg white and 1/2 tsp. melted butter. Pour into well-buttered, shallow baking pan. Bake at 425° F. until brown, or about 15 minutes.

Chicken Croquettes

Chicken croquettes with a mushroom sauce, simple to

make and deliciously tender to eat. Make a nice dish for about this time of year when something a little more substantial than a salad is in order for lunch or supper.

To prepare 2 large or 4 small croquettes, mix 1 1/2 c. finely ground chicken and 2 tsp. lemon juice into 1/2 tin condensed cream of mushroom soup. Set in refrigerator to chill. Then shape into cylinders, balls or cutlets. To make the dipping mixture, cover the croquettes with bread or cracker crumbs, then dip into one egg beaten with 2 tsp. water. Dip in crumbs again. Fry in hot deep fat (365-375° F.) for 2-4 min. or until browned.

Household Hints

Light rubbing with a motor-car cleanser, a little silver polish or some moistened cigar ash often helps hide a minor burn on furniture surfaces. Deep burns require refinishing.

You can dice sliced pineapple easily before emptying it from the opened tin by inserting a sharp knife in the centre and cutting outward.

Don't discard old toothbrushes. They're efficient tools for cleaning jewellery, combs, and zippers.

Potatoes bake mealer if a bit of each end of the vegetable is cut off before it goes into the oven.

Fake Or Real, Fur Hats Are Back

New York. The fur hat, missing for many years, is back. This time it brings a friend—the fake hat. Milliners are featuring real ermine, minks and leopard. Fake favourites include leopard-printed velvet, plush cut to look like broad-tail, and wools knit to look like Persian lamb. One style rule: Don't overdo the fur. A fur hat looks good with the sleek wool dress, the softly tailored suit, or the cloth coat.

The newest item in rainwear starts clothing protection where the umbrella leaves off. A

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Knarf's Interesting Playmates

—A Frog, Two Caterpillars, and Three Turkeys—

By MAX TRELL

KNARF, the shadow-boy with the turned-about name, was sitting on the back steps of the house wondering what game he could play.

"I haven't anyone to play with," he said to himself. "There aren't many games that I can play. I can't play tag, because when can I run after? I can't play hide-and-seek, because I can't hide from myself. I can't play ball because—"

At that moment Knarf saw a frog hopping by. "Hello, Frog!" Knarf called.

The frog stopped. "Hallo, boy!" answered the frog in his hoarse voice.

"I haven't got anyone to play with," said Knarf. "Would you play with me?"

Doesn't Play With Boys

"Well," said the frog. "I don't But I'll play a game with you." "What game?" asked Knarf. "Leap-frog," said the frog. So Knarf and the frog played leap-frog. Knarf jumped over the frog's back, then the frog jumped over Knarf's back. Finally they reached the edge of the pond and the frog leaped over Knarf's back and into the water. "That's the end of the game, boy!" the frog called, sticking his head just above the water.

"Thank you for playing with me," said Knarf, and he walked back to the back steps of his house.

"That was a fine game," the frog played with me—leap-frog with a frog. I wish I could play another game with somebody, because there aren't many games that a boy can play—when he's all by himself."

Along Came Two Caterpillars

Then two yellow caterpillars went crawling by. "Hello, Caterpillars!" called Knarf. "Hello, boy," answered the caterpillars. "I'm all alone," said Knarf, "and I'd like to play a game. Will you play a game with me?" "Oh yes!" said the caterpillars. "We'll play a game with you, although we don't usually play games with boys. Come with us."

Rupert's Coral Island—27



Rupert sees that each of the large shells contains what seems to be some kind of food and he suddenly realizes how long it is since he had anything to eat. "My, I'm hungry!" he thinks, choosing what looks like a green brown nut and biting it. Next instant, he pulls a wry face. "Ugh, that was horrid!" he cries. "All salty and bitter." As he turns away in disappointment there is a movement in the shell, and a small fish leaps high out of the water.



Knarf and the frog played a game of leap-frog.

play games with anybody," replied the turkey. "But I'll dance with you."

So Knarf and the turkey did a dance. It was a square dance, in which two more turkeys joined. And Knarf whistled "Turkey in the Straw" all the while they were dancing, so that they would have the right kind of turkey dance music to dance to.

"Then the turkeys all strutted off. 'The dance is over,' they said. 'We're going to peck for worms.'"

But Knarf felt very happy as he sat down on the back steps. He had leap-frogged with a frog, gone all around the mulberry bush with two caterpillars, and danced "Turkey in the Straw" with three turkeys. He didn't mind at all being alone now.

No One to Play With

"I'm all alone and haven't anyone to play with," said Knarf. "Would you play a game with me?" "I don't usually play games with boys, and I don't usually

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TOMMY ATKINS' Army Sports Parade

Judo gets pride of place in sports parade this week. I have received a letter from a group of young soldiers who are keen to learn something about the art and who request information about any club—civilian or military—where they can pick up the rudiments. The writer makes it clear they are absolute novices, but enthusiastic. Any information?

Gnr. Higgins of 14th Fd. Regt. RA, very nearly missed the chance of making his first appearance in the Army soccer team on Saturday. During the Inter-Unit P.T. Competition on Friday Higgins, a busy crapper at the Wall of the obstacle course and was badly shaken up. A night's rest worked wonders and he had a very good game on Saturday.

The Army—with 18 runners—was well represented in the 10-Mile Road Race at the week-end. The Royal Artillery provided the soldiers' outstanding competitor, with Gnr. Aden in 4th place and 2/Lt. Higgins in 5th place.

Aden is a competitor in the forthcoming Army Individual Championship and on this form he must be considered to have an excellent chance of winning the title. His finish on Sunday was most consistent, and with just a little more stamina he would have improved his final placing.

Big hits and fast scoring was the order of the day when the Army cricketers visited KCC last Saturday. In five minutes at the wicket Major Chubb scored 25 with the assistance of two prodigious sixes, but he was out—slipped by Captain Pierce who had three in his score of 51.

POKER DICE

I doubt if Pocker Dice can be considered a sport in the best sense of the word, but it certainly gave entertainment to a gathering of sergeants and their friends at a recent Sunday evening social.

A lady visitor, a self-confessed novice, dropped 5 aces in successive throws. My informant told me that excitement was high as the lady was asked to make it a hat-trick, but this time it was only three fives and two aces!

The high standard of play of the Army football team has been the subject of favourable comment in various sections of the local press. Since the start of the season many of the players have improved in ball control and have speeded up considerably.

Much of the credit for these changes goes to S/Sgt. Docherty, A.P.C., the team coach, for his fine work behind the scenes.

Docherty, a former member of the 1st Bn. Argyll & Sutherland Highlanders regimental team and a qualified referee, has worked many hours and week-ends coaching the players. The success of his work is now being reflected in the fine play of the team.

If the Army 'A' team succeed in winning the Cricket League title they will owe a big debt to the consistent play of their bowlers. In the game against Optimists at the week-end Dowling and Alexander took five wickets apiece and skittled out the opposition for a mere 49 runs.

NO FLOODLIGHTING

It looks as though we shall have to build floodlight golf courses. The Army golfers recent Tournament competition finished in darkness, but with lots of excitement. The winner was Major Callander who got to within 50 yards of the 10th green early in the afternoon and survived all challenges, although subsequent events showed that the fading light was worth a number of strokes to him.

THREE LIKELY OPPONENTS FOR TURPIN

Three possible opponents have been lined up for Randolph Turpin, British Middleweight Champion. They are Yolande Pompey, Trinidad light-heavyweight, Gordon Hazell, British middleweight, and Jimmy King of the United States.

All three are on Jack Solomon's programme for Harrington on December 8, King meeting Hazell and Pompey-fighting Wim Stock of Holland.

His closest challenger was Capt. Napier who was on the 10th tee with two shots in hand. His first shot, carefully watched along the route by fellow competitors, left him with a simple shot to win, but due to the darkness, selection of the wrong club, or 'vital-moment nerves' he 'duffed it' and the Major collected the prize.

The attendance at this event was rather disappointing and it is hoped that as many golfers as possible will attend the next monthly meeting on December 30 when the competition will be a 'hidden danger'. I am asked to remind golfers in the Navy and RAF that they are most welcome to come along to these meetings.

With maximum points so far in the Minor Units Hockey League, 170 Lt. Dty. RA are already being tipped as ultimate winners. Their defence, which has lost only three goals in seven games, is outstanding.

Davey, the Welsh Regiment's clever goalkeeper, has joined up with St. Joseph's soccer team and has already shown his worth. With Sgt. Farr also available, the Saints now have a solid goalkeeper in both their first and second elevens.

The Royal Artillery Rugby XV surprised the Club at the week-end when, in a fast and tough struggle at Sookunpo, they overcame their more fancied opponents by 12 points to 9.

The forthcoming Chairman's Team vs. Secretary's Team first-class golfing tussle. The teams are now 24-a-side and the players are asked to be at the Fanning Club house as soon as possible after 1 p.m. on December 9.

POPULAR WINNERS

Congratulations to the 50th Field Engineer Regt. on their magnificent win in the Land Forces Physical Training Competition. The Gurkhas were worthy and popular winners and their display earned the appreciation of all spectators, but the Hongkong Signal Regt., who won the first part of the competition with a near perfect P.T. display, were a very close second.

Soldier cyclists are asking if Todd-White has been overdoing it in recent months. In his two latest outings he has been beaten by Roy of the Dorset, but his performance is falling off. His time in the last 10 Miles event was 15 seconds outside his previous best over the same distance. A rest might do him a lot of good.

It is not often that I get a chance to write about fishing, but I have received a note to tell me that there are many keen and active anglers among the soldier population in the Colony. I shall be glad to relate the stories of the one that got away if enthusiasts will forward the necessary particulars to me.

It is not generally appreciated that Casey, the Army right back, is a footballer with a distinguished record. Casey has had the honour of playing in the Amateur Cup Final before 100,000 people at Wembley Stadium. At that time Casey was a left-half and a member of the Leyton team, but this season he seems to have found his true position at right-back.

Calling golfing beginners. The Secretary of the Golf group has a number of clubs available for sale. These clubs are suitable for beginners and anyone who is interested should contact Major Sirick, Camp Commandant's Office, HQ RA. This is an excellent opportunity for anyone who wishes to take up the game.

SNIPPETS. Army rugby captain Gerrard was most reluctant to accept the 'walk-over' given by the Police on account of team difficulties Saturday. Longland the Army footballer was absent from the team on Saturday. He was injured in a company football match on Thursday.

Volunteer sports coaches are wanted for the Army Children's Schools on Saturdays mornings. Squash enthusiasts are pleased with the improved facilities at the USRC. The 25th Gunners are finding it hard going in the Football League. They went down 10-3 at the week-end.

The Army soccer team had new players Higgins, Hogan and Maddison out against Gymnasium in the 2nd Division on Saturday. Still no hole-in-one by an Army golfer.

HUNGARY ARE NOW QUITE DEFINITELY FAVOURITES FOR WORLD SOCCER CUP

By a Football Correspondent

London, Dec. 2. Hungary will be most peoples' favourites to win the world soccer title in Switzerland next summer after their overwhelming win over England.

Already, fans are getting excited about the matches which the Olympic Champions will play against the reigning World Champions, Uruguay, and the world runners-up, Brazil. They should be games worth going a very long way to see.

Naturally, opinions are divided as to how good the Hungarians really are. That depends to a considerable extent on just how good—or bad—England are. But the majority of international sports writers, and there were dozens in the Wembley press box from all over Europe, have no doubts about the Magyar Marvells being the top team in the world today.

A Swedish football writer who was at Wembley said: "The South Americans play good football, but they have not mastered European technique and that is what will prove decisive in next year's World Championships."

On the other hand, an Argentine soccer fan who writes his first time in watching soccer in Britain and Argentina thought any of the three top Latin American countries, Argentina, Brazil and Uruguay, would defeat the Hungarians on a neutral ground. He expects Uruguay to retain her world title (Argentina are not taking part) at the expense of Brazil next year.

Months ago when compiling my own world ranking list, I put the Hungarians in first place and had no qualms whatever in giving them that distinction. After watching them at Wembley I am more than ever convinced they are deserving of that place, and could beat any of the South American countries in a best of three game series.

ONE GAME NOT ENOUGH. One game is not enough. There are often flukes in football, and the better team does sometimes lose.

A personal opinion is that the Hungarians played the best football I have ever seen in a game. It was a shade better than Brazil's World Cup team in Rio three years ago. The Brazilians did to the Swedes in Rio what the Hungarians did to England in London—overwhelmed another good team by a superb display of well-nigh perfect football.

It may not be out of place to remark that Sweden held the Hungarians to a 2-2 draw in Budapest recently, or that the Swedes have been knocked out of the World Cup competition. Such is sometimes the crazy pattern of the game.

How bad are England? What did the Wembley match mean? Well, the French said it was a "milestone in football history" as it may well prove to be at least in the case of England.

They also said it was "the end of the reign of British football". That seems quite clear at least for the time being. The Germans were kinder, saying that the British still do some things perfectly though they had a lot to learn from "classical continental football".

Generally, however, the epithets used by Continental journalists were "outclassed", "routed", "powerless", and "old fashioned". The last named seems the most apposite.

Uninformed sports writers are unanimous in saying that "British football—and that includes Scotland, Wales and Ireland—is at the crossroads." This time they cannot blame the Selection Committee and the public as well as the critics take an almost universal view that there was nothing wrong with the team—except that, with the exception of Tom Finney, who was injured, it was the best possible; that though the Hungarians might have won 10-3, so superior were they, the English team did not play badly, but only as well as their opponents let them; that no other team would have done any better, and that even if England, Scotland, Wales, and Ireland combined to make one

Fans are also aware that most big teams are not anxious to play star players in mid-week "friendly" matches, and use the matches to try out reserves. Also, fear of unnecessary injury often reduces the game to half-pace, and the match loses much of its appeal to spectators used to the more exciting League matches.

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Whilst the present systems of organized football in Britain continue to attract the millions, it appears that floodlights can only be used as a secondary source of income, and then it is a gamble for small clubs. —China Mail Special.

British team, they would hardly have done any better.

SYSTEM ALL WRONG. In other words, it is the system that is all wrong, not the individual players. The fact is that British football is indeed outmoded and old-fashioned. It requires a thorough shake up all round.

The writing has been on the wall for some time now. England has not had a good team for five years, nor have any of the other United Kingdom countries. English officials, and doubtless British as well, are glad that the Hungarians administered such a drubbing to the home team. They all feel that now perhaps something will be done.

A move has been made already. Leading club managers are to be invited by the Football Association to a round table conference in the New Year to discuss ways and means of improving the standard of soccer throughout the whole nation.

The remedy for the present disastrous state of affairs is not so easy. Indeed it is very difficult because it must affect the whole system of British football. Suggestions by English football writers and officials are many. These will be dealt with in a later article.

Meantime, it can be said that everybody who has anything to do with football in the United Kingdom agrees that the "Masters" must "go back to school" and become "pupils" — eager, intelligent scholars—prepared to learn anything and everything from their teachers. And there must be a plan. It will no doubt have to be long term with British football having fallen back so far, but they must be a plan.

This is on the assumption that Britain wants to be a leader once again in world football. Of course she could retire gracefully from international football and concentrate on the game at home—too much concentration on which is regarded by many as being the root of the international team's weakness.—China Mail Special.

Floodlighting A Gamble For Small Clubs

London, Dec. 3.

Floodlight football in Britain, successfully introduced to boost club finances, is now in danger of defeating its own object.

So many clubs have climbed on to the bandwagon of success that it is now difficult to get opponents capable of drawing sufficiently large crowds to cover the cost of lighting installations and show a profit.

The bigger clubs are more fortunate since they are in a position to invite attractive foreign teams and have the ground facilities to cater for large, spectacle-loving crowds, but it seems that some of the smaller Third Division clubs who have lavishly invested in floodlighting are forced to rely on ordinary League teams and Scottish clubs. On occasions, they manage to get one of the "big guns" from the First Division, but even this does not guarantee a big crowd because in most cases, fans need only take a short journey to see such teams almost any week.

NOT TOO ANXIOUS

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HUNGARY ISSUES A STAMP TO CELEBRATE

Paris, Dec. 2.

A new series stamp will be issued by the Hungarian Post Office to celebrate the return of their national football team from their victory against England, according to the Hungarian news agency today.

The new stamp portraying a football player will have the words "London-Wembley, 25 D. 1953, 0-3" printed on it, the report added.—France-Press.

London, Dec. 2.

Hungary will be most peoples' favourites to win the world soccer title in Switzerland next summer after their overwhelming win over England.

Already, fans are getting excited about the matches which the Olympic Champions will play against the reigning World Champions, Uruguay, and the world runners-up, Brazil. They should be games worth going a very long way to see.

Naturally, opinions are divided as to how good the Hungarians really are. That depends to a considerable extent on just how good—or bad—England are. But the majority of international sports writers, and there were dozens in the Wembley press box from all over Europe, have no doubts about the Magyar Marvells being the top team in the world today.

A Swedish football writer who was at Wembley said: "The South Americans play good football, but they have not mastered European technique and that is what will prove decisive in next year's World Championships."

On the other hand, an Argentine soccer fan who writes his first time in watching soccer in Britain and Argentina thought any of the three top Latin American countries, Argentina, Brazil and Uruguay, would defeat the Hungarians on a neutral ground. He expects Uruguay to retain her world title (Argentina are not taking part) at the expense of Brazil next year.

Months ago when compiling my own world ranking list, I put the Hungarians in first place and had no qualms whatever in giving them that distinction. After watching them at Wembley I am more than ever convinced they are deserving of that place, and could beat any of the South American countries in a best of three game series.

ONE GAME NOT ENOUGH. One game is not enough. There are often flukes in football, and the better team does sometimes lose.

A personal opinion is that the Hungarians played the best football I have ever seen in a game. It was a shade better than Brazil's World Cup team in Rio three years ago. The Brazilians did to the Swedes in Rio what the Hungarians did to England in London—overwhelmed another good team by a superb display of well-nigh perfect football.

It may not be out of place to remark that Sweden held the Hungarians to a 2-2 draw in Budapest recently, or that the Swedes have been knocked out of the World Cup competition. Such is sometimes the crazy pattern of the game.

How bad are England? What did the Wembley match mean? Well, the French said it was a "milestone in football history" as it may well prove to be at least in the case of England.

They also said it was "the end of the reign of British football". That seems quite clear at least for the time being. The Germans were kinder, saying that the British still do some things perfectly though they had a lot to learn from "classical continental football".

Generally, however, the epithets used by Continental journalists were "outclassed", "routed", "powerless", and "old fashioned". The last named seems the most apposite.

Uninformed sports writers are unanimous in saying that "British football—and that includes Scotland, Wales and Ireland—is at the crossroads." This time they cannot blame the Selection Committee and the public as well as the critics take an almost universal view that there was nothing wrong with the team—except that, with the exception of Tom Finney, who was injured, it was the best possible; that though the Hungarians might have won 10-3, so superior were they, the English team did not play badly, but only as well as their opponents let them; that no other team would have done any better, and that even if England, Scotland, Wales, and Ireland combined to make one

Fans are also aware that most big teams are not anxious to play star players in mid-week "friendly" matches, and use the matches to try out reserves. Also, fear of unnecessary injury often reduces the game to half-pace, and the match loses much of its appeal to spectators used to the more exciting League matches.

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Eddie Firmani, the Charlton centre-forward, collides with Williams, the Wolves goalkeeper, as the latter gathers the ball to save during the match at The Valley which Wolves won 2-0.

The Best Juvenile Colt And Filly On The British Turf Are Both Now In The USA

London, Dec. 2.

The best juvenile colt and filly on the British turf this year, according to the assessment of the Jockey Club handicapper, Mr Geoffrey Freer, are now both in the United States.

In compiling the weights for the two-year-old free handicap, Mr Freer has made the Pie King top of the scale with 133 pounds and given Sixpence 120 pounds, the highest weight allotted to a filly.

Both two-year-olds were trained in Ireland this year by "Paddy" Prendergast, who was recently told by the Jockey Club Stewards that they would not accept the entries of any horses trained by him.

If this ban is not lifted, another crack Irish challenger will be absent from next year's British classics—Moonlight Express, trained by Prendergast for Mr Alfred L. Hawkins, who also owned Sixpence before she was sold recently to American buyers.

Moonlight Express was talked of as the winter favourite for the Derby after he had won brilliantly at York in August. But as he ran only twice—at York and once in Ireland—Mr Freer has not included him in the handicap.

Nobody could quarrel with the high ratings given to the Pie King, owned jointly by the Americans, Mr Ray Bell and Mr Ellwood D. Johnston, and Sixpence.

The Pie King won four races, including the Glencairn Stakes at York, in facile fashion and credited his owners with total winnings of £7,817. Sixpence scored a hollow six lengths victory in the Cheveley Park Stakes at Newmarket, one of the season's big tests for two-year-old fillies.

It had been generally expected that Mr Freer would place Royal Challenger, winner of the Middle Park Stakes, second in the handicap, but he has in fact given that honour to Infatuation, who took the Dewhurst Stakes.

A POUND BETWEEN

There is only one pound between them, on Mr Freer's rating. Infatuation, who is a son of Nearco, is allotted 131 pounds. Royal Challenger, by Royal Charge, the former Irish National Stud stallion, now standing in the United States, is on the 130 pounds mark with the National Stud colt Landau, who is leased to the Queen.

Next, at 128 pounds, comes Darius, who won the Champagne Stakes at Doncaster, and High Treason, winner of the Nunthorpe Stakes at York, emblematic of the British sprint championship, against a field of older horses.

Many horses who can bid for next season's classic races are not given a place in the Free Handicap, which will be run over seven furlongs at Newmarket on April 8. But consideration of the Free Handicap weights inevitably leads to deliberation on the classic prospects of next year.

Best chances for the supreme classic, the Derby, appear to be held by Infatuation, Royal Challenger and Landau.

BRIGHT PROSPECT

The Queen, whose Aureole finished second to Pinza in this year's Derby, has another bright prospect for next year's race in Landau.

This black colt is classically bred, by Dante, a Derby winner, out of the triple classic winner, Sun Chariot.

But for an interesting discovery by the veterinary experts at Gillingham, Dorset, Landau might never have developed into a classic hope.

Landau was a disappointing foal and so was treated with a daily pinch of the new drug aureomycin. This drug is known as "boom food" among breeders of pigs and poultry, so rapidly does their stock thrive when given it.

Mr Peter Burrell, director of the National Stud, says: "The effect on Landau was astounding. After six weeks' treatment, the colt, which previously was a very sorry specimen of a thoroughbred, looked the best in the Stud and has never looked back since."

Landau ran in five races this year, winning the last three in impressive fashion.

Lord Milford's Sybil's Niece, who is given 120 pounds in the free handicap, should be to the fore in the fillies' classic. She looks the sort who will train on into a filly with a good blend of stamina and speed.

Crusoe, who with 124 pounds, is ranked second to Sixpence in the fillies among the free handicap, looks on breeding to be purely a sprinting type.

THREE-YEAR-OLDS

In making the weights for the three-year-old Free Handicap, to be run over twelve furlongs at Newmarket on April 30, Mr Freer has shown a very high opinion of Pinza's worth.

He has put him in at 134 pounds, the highest weight which has appeared in any free handicap since the Second World War.

The Queen's gullant colt Aureole, second to Pinza in the Derby and King George VIth and Queen Elizabeth Stakes, is rated six pounds below his conqueror. Aureole in turn is one pound above Premonition, though he finished third to the latter in the St. Leger. It was generally held that the Queen's colt did not run up to his best form in the Doncaster classic.

The Aga Khan's Tulyar, who broke the British money-winning record in 1952, was given 133 pounds by Mr Freer in the Free Handicap run in April this year.

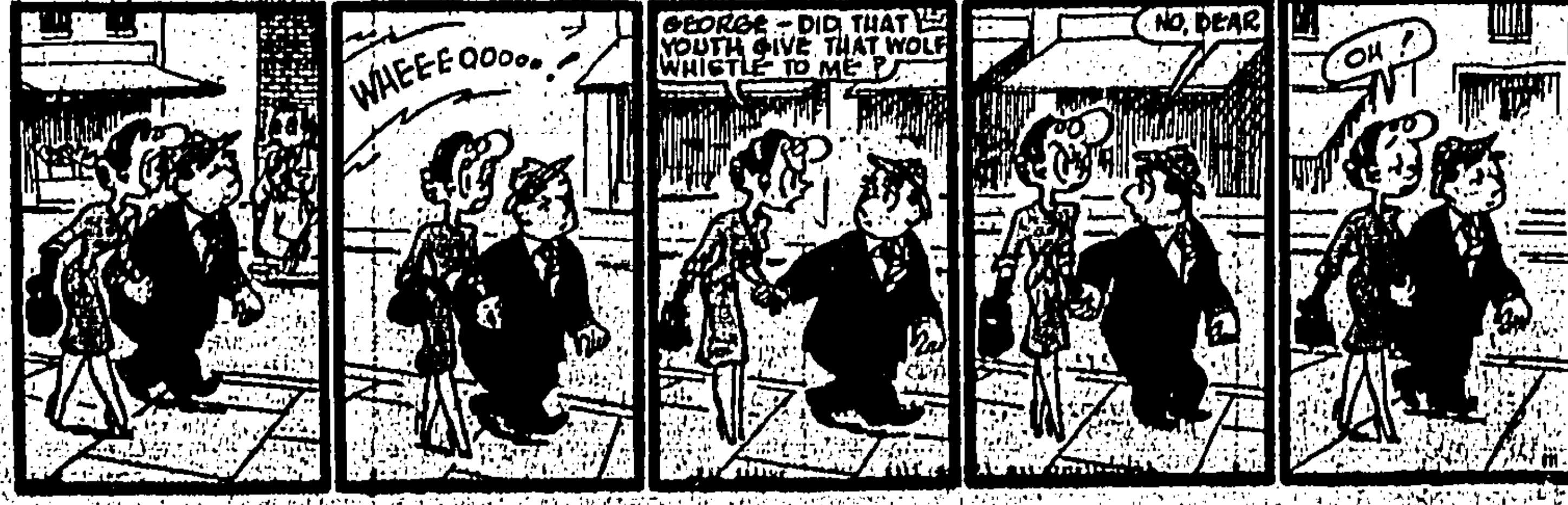
Gay Time, who like Aureole, was runner-up in the big Epsom and Ascot events, was also ranked six pounds below the best of his season.

Of these four stalwarts, only Aureole will be seen on the race course in 1954. Pinza was retired to stud after an accident. Tulyar is standing in Ireland and Gay Time, his former glory tarnished by his failures this year, is on the way to Japan.

With the big obstacle to his success this year now out of the field, Aureole should put up a good show in the cup races next season with the St Leger winner, Premonition, likely to prove his most dangerous rival. —China Mail Special.

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U.K. And Canadian Atom Information

London, Dec. 2.

Just how much information about the atom is crossing the Atlantic?

The official hush-hush leaves a confused impression—but recent government announcements suggest that Canada and Britain may be co-operating closely on the peace-time prospects of the atom. At least, there is an uncanny coincidence in development.

The British announcement that work will start soon on an atomic power plant in Scotland surprised the speculators. Officially, atom power has always been about "10 years off."

It was even more surprising in view of the recent British effort on homes—effort which might have been expected to occupy all the available resources.

Now Canada's new atom chief, William Bennett, says Canada is planning a thermal furnace for commercial use. That may be the missing link.

Canada's Chalk River work has always been directed primarily at non-military problems and, in the normal course of events, Canada could have been expected to lead the world in commercial production.

But Britain and Canada are running neck and neck.

Mr Bennett made no comment on the British development. He said simply that everybody would gain from a pooling of information and resources.

On the other hand, if the information is not already pooled or partly pooled, it seems strange that developments in both countries have reached the same level.—London Express Service.

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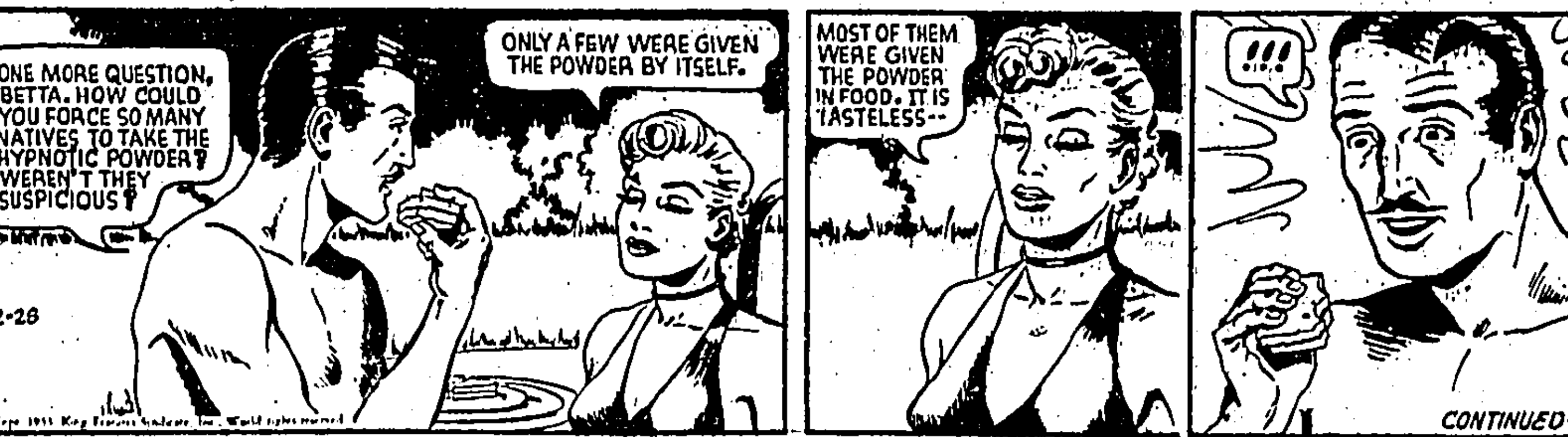
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Washington, Dec. 1.

Official sources said today that consideration "is being given to the question of disposing of an expected surplus of United States-owned tin, but that no decision has yet been reached."

The sources commented in confirming an announcement made yesterday in Geneva that there is a likelihood that the United States by next Spring will have from 35,000 tons to 40,000 tons of tin in excess of the country's commercial and stockpile needs.

The announcement in Geneva was made by Clarence W. Nichols, adviser to the United States delegation at the international tin conference.

The sources here acknowledged that the sale of such a quantity of tin undoubtedly would influence the market, but they said that the effect might be lessened considerably if it were being considered to minimize the effect of such a sale.—United Press.

Synthetics No Threat To Wool

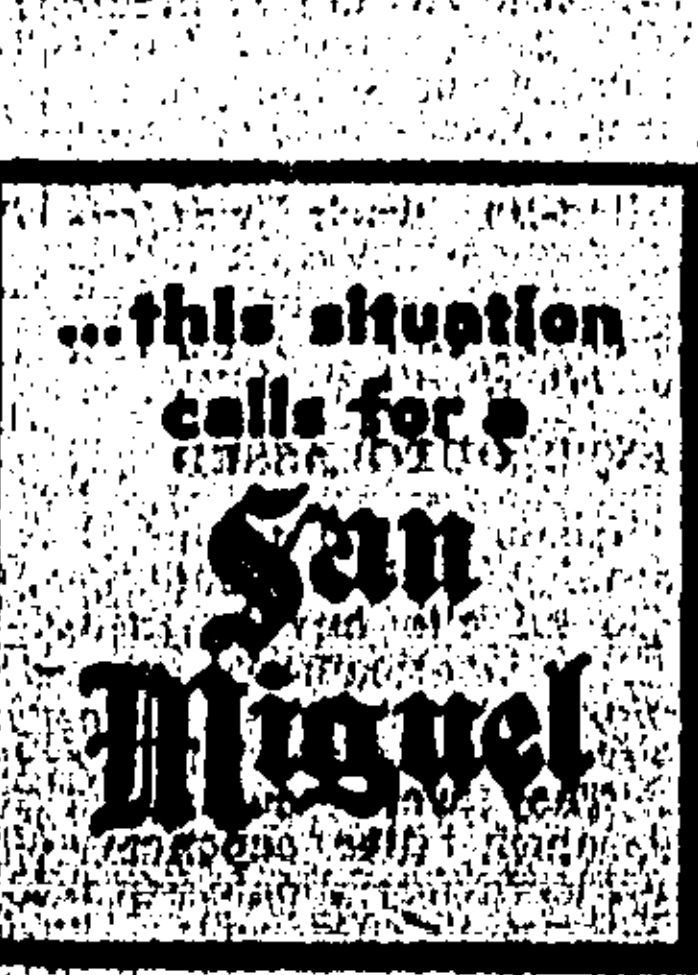
London, Dec. 2.

Although many manufacturers are using large quantities of rayon and other synthetic yarns, consumption in the wool industry is about five per cent of the total.

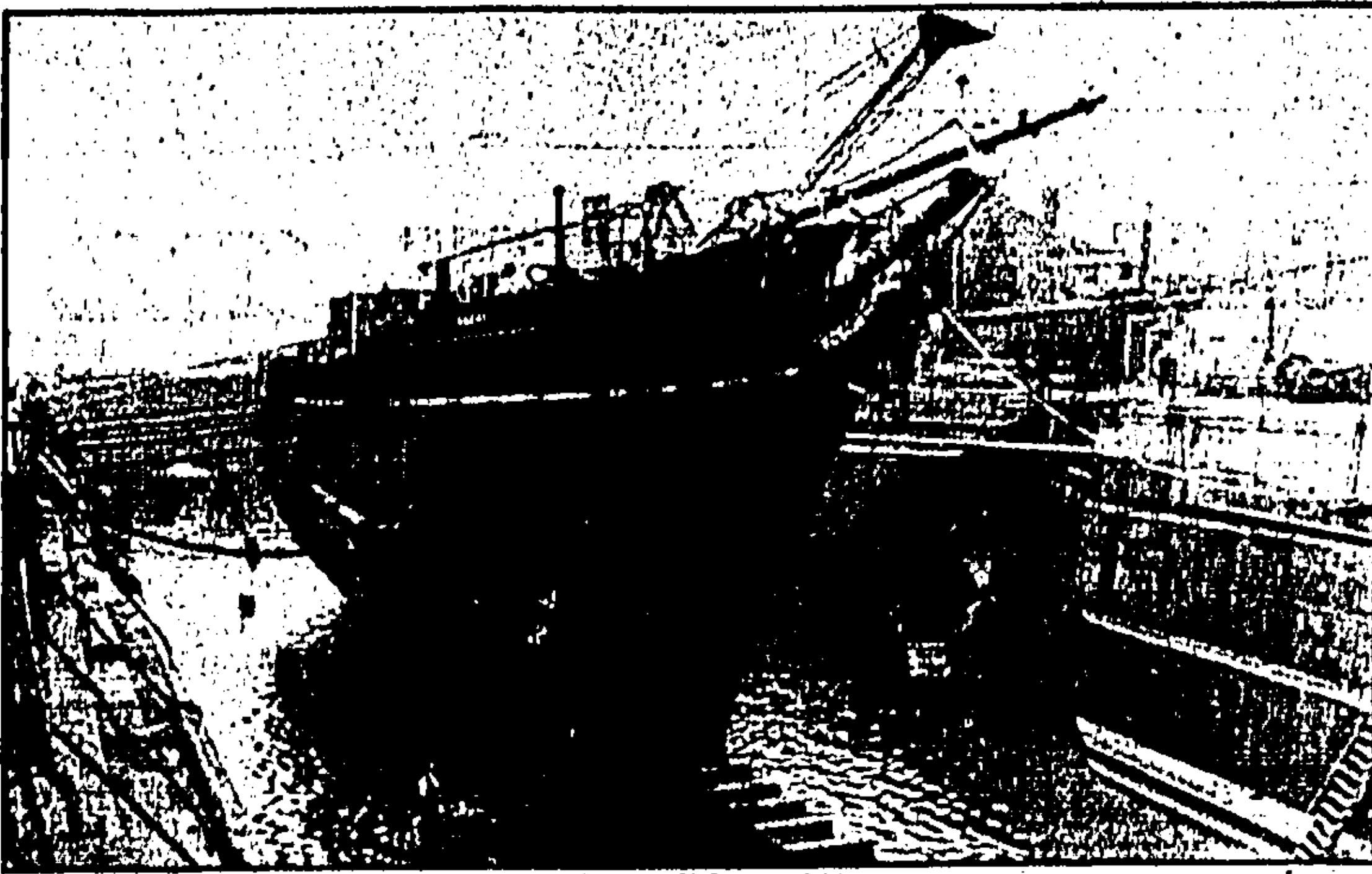
While this may increase in the next few years there is no sign yet that wool is seriously threatened, says a statement issued by the East and West Ridings Regional Board of Industry in Leeds.

More persons are employed in wool textile since the recession but the shortage of labour persists.

Some observers say the industry should recognize that this state of affairs is likely to be permanent and via methods of increasing productivity should continue to be sought.—China Mail Special.



Discovery Goes Into Dry Dock



Captain Scott's Polar ship, R.R.S. Discovery, which for many years has served the Boy Scouts Association at her mooring alongside the Victoria Embankment, has entered dry dock for examination to see if she is fit enough for future use possibly by the Admiralty. The picture shows Discovery in the London Graving Dock, where she is now being prepared for inspection by Admiralty surveyors.—Central Press.

The Key Figure In British Delegation At Bermuda Talks

(By DON DALLAS)

London, Dec. 2.

A diplomat who has talked to Stalin twice and to Molotov more than a dozen times, is the key figure in the British delegation to the Bermuda talks this week.

He is urbane Sir Frank Kenyon Roberts, who is accompanying Sir Winston Churchill because he is the leading Foreign Office expert on Germany. He also has more experience of direct negotiation with the Kremlin leaders than almost any other British diplomat.

Sir Frank has helped to draft several recent British notes to Russia and may be called on to do so again in Bermuda.

At 40 he is one of the ablest of Britain's younger career diplomats and has been called a "human dynamo" because of his ability to work up to 20 hours a day. As Minister in Moscow from 1945 to 1947 he rarely went to bed before 3 a.m. and was up again soon after 7 a.m.

He speaks German and French fluently and Russian reasonably well. Sir Frank hit the world headlines in the summer of 1948 when he represented Britain in

the Western negotiations with Stalin and Molotov, which aimed to end the Soviet blockade of Berlin.

COLLEAGUES

His Western colleagues then were General Walter Bedell Smith, the American Ambassador, and Mr Yves Chataigneau, the French Ambassador.

When Sir Frank Roberts left Moscow as Minister in the summer of 1947 he became principal Private Secretary to the late Mr Ernest Bevin, Foreign Secretary, in the then Labour Government.

Mr Bevin sent Sir Frank back to Moscow the following summer to argue the Western case on Berlin with the men of the Kremlin.

During World War two, the British press headlined him as "the cycling diplomat" because he cycled each day from his home in Kensington to the Foreign Office.

INDIA POST

In 1949 Sir Frank was appointed Deputy High Commissioner in India, a position which he held until his appointment in 1951 as Assistant Under-Secretary at the Foreign Office in charge of German affairs.

Since then he has talked with the West German Chancellor, Konrad Adenauer, in Germany and he has advised Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden on policy towards Germany. He has also accompanied the Foreign Secretary to North Atlantic Council meetings at Lisbon and Rome.

In July he went to New York with Lord Salisbury, Acting Foreign Secretary, for talks with the United States Secretary of State, Mr John Foster Dulles, and the French Foreign Minister, Georges Bidault.—China Mail Special.

Shell Tanker Company

London, Dec. 2. "Shell" tankers steaming into the world's oil ports are to be operated by a newly formed company, Shell Tankers Limited.

This is a fully-owned subsidiary of the Anglo-Saxon Petroleum Company, a member of the Royal Dutch Shell Group of oil companies which controls about one-fifth of the world's total tanker tonnage.

The new company's task will be to operate the Group's oil fleet. It will also negotiate contracts and charters for the parent company.

One of the immediate jobs awaiting Shell Tankers Limited is a shipbuilding programme for 73 new vessels. These will raise the Group's tanker tonnage from 2½ million to 4 million tons, exclusive of chartered tonnage.

Two managing directors of the Anglo-Saxon Petroleum Company have accepted posts on the company's board. They are Mr J. W. Platt, who will be chairman, and Sir Francis Hopwood.—London Express Service.

KILIMANJARO SNOW FOR LOCOS

London, Dec. 2.

The snows of Kilimanjaro will keep Kenya's locomotives running.

East African Railways are planning a 60-mile pipeline to carry water from the foothills of Africa's highest mountain to stations on the Colony's main railway between the capital Nairobi, and the main port, Mombasa.

Boreholes in the near-desert country the line crosses are beginning to dry up, and railway engineers have decided on spending £870,000 to build the pipeline fed by the film-famous snows.—London Express Service.

C'wealth Students Spend £7m In Britain

London, Dec. 2.

Commonwealth students spent £7,000,000 in Britain last year in fees and maintenance alone. There were 18,000 of them in all, and most arrived in the United Kingdom aboard a British plane or ship.

This is announced by the British Council in its 1952-53 report.

The Council, which assists overseas students on their way, also reports that 304 scholarships were awarded from its funds during the year. Its own staff met 607 of the students on their arrival in Britain and found accommodation for over two thousand. Most of these men and women came from the colonies.

Cuts in Government grants have affected the Council's work in Europe, the report declares. However, considerable progress was made in the colonial territories, chiefly in Nigeria.

NIGERIA

In Nigeria, the Council provided instruction in self-government and local government. And, making a first venture into the world of sport, the Council sent a lecturer on athletics there. (In return, the Nigerians are considering the formation of a Nigerian Council to present their own way of life to Britain and the rest of the world.)

In Kenya, Sir Ralph Richardson opened the Council's National Theatre at Nairobi last September; all races can become members.

In Uganda, a Council centre was opened at the request of the colony's Government. The Council's organization of the East Caribbean Library Scheme with the help of Colonial Development and Welfare funds was completed.

CARIBBEAN

The local Caribbean governments co-operated with an overall increase in grants from £4,000 to £37,000 during the 5-year period.

In Pakistan, the first Council-sponsored theatre tour was termed a great success. The Council also sponsored two groups of Pakistani Civil Service probationers on six-months' study in Britain.

The Council's many activities, the report notes, range from the provision of courses of engineering for Brazilians to trade missions for West Africans. And its aim is to make Britain "the university of the free world".—London Express Service.

TRADE and COMMERCE SECTION

French Businessmen Turning Increasingly To Communist Bloc

Paris, Dec. 2.

French businessmen are turning increasingly to the Communist bloc to find new outlets to fill a gap of about 20 per cent in France's balance of trade.

The French Government gave them assistance by granting to manufacturers who export goods to the Communist bloc the same economic privileges granted so far to dollar and sterling earners.

These privileges enable manufacturers to get a rebate on taxes and social security dues for goods sold abroad. The French Finance Minister, M. Edgar Faure, said recently that this new measure would cost the French exchequer 1,000,000,000 francs (about £1,000,000 sterling) over the next twelve months.

Reasons for the new export drive to Communist countries were given in a report by the French Committee for the Development of International Trade, a private businessmen's group whose president, M. Bernard de Plas, recently negotiated a private trade agreement with Communist China.

The report pointed out that France had an adverse trade balance with the sterling area and with her European neighbours. The country's export market in the United States was described in the report as "limited". "America has a huge internal market which is largely self-satisfying," it added.

French exports to the United States, the report pointed out, were largely luxury goods, which were the first to remain unsold or unwanted in a crisis. The United States, the report complained, had become an increasingly protectionist in the last 10 months. Tariff barriers were in some cases crippling; over 35 per cent on medical instruments, 50 to 70 per cent on watches, over 40 per cent on textiles.

"ESCAPE CLAUSE"

The "escape clause" in the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT), the official international body with headquarters in Geneva, did not allow American diplomats meeting there a free hand: they could only agree to lower tariff barriers on the understanding that if any hardship to American manufacturers ensued, the old barriers would be reimposed.

The report came to the conclusion that despite Marshall aid, which for several years stressed the French need to "export or die," increased productivity in France and valuable American technical assistance, French businessmen took considerable risks in exporting goods to the United States and could not be sure of a steady permanent market there over a period of years.

So, for the last year, French businessmen have been looking elsewhere. Nevertheless French exports to the Communist bloc have accounted for only five per cent of her foreign trade over the first six months of 1953.

CHINA AND RUSSIA

Two trade agreements, with China and with Russia, concluded in the last six months, show the new French orientation.

The Franco-Chinese private trade agreement, signed by a Chinese Communist representative and Mr. Bernard de Plas, a French businessman, last June, provides for an exchange of goods between the two countries amounting to 20,000,000,000 francs (about £20,000,000 sterling).

China is to provide France with tea, silks, spices, and a certain amount of coal. In return French businessmen will export buses, lorries, machine tools, domestic electric appliances and metal products.

The French businessmen are extremely anxious to see this first commercial deal with Communist China satisfactorily concluded. They say that unless a speedy delivery of goods takes place, their place in China will be taken by British and German businessmen who are making a big effort to develop new markets there.

DISTRESSED

They were therefore, distressed when export permits, granted by the French Economic Affairs Ministry, were withheld for examination by the Commercial department of the Quai d'Orsay, the French Foreign Ministry, the French Foreign businessmen who are making a big effort to develop new markets there.

George Bidault to prevent French exports from reaching China as they would eventually be used indirectly to further China's war effort. It was alleged that 75 per cent of French exports to China under the private commercial deal were strategic goods.

The businessmen denied that strategic goods were involved, and said that the steel products only accounted for 25 per cent of the 10,000,000,000 francs (£10,000,000 sterling).

Since M. Bidault's visit to America, all export permits to China except those for steel goods have been granted, and Chinese citizens may soon be riding the streets of Peking in the familiar green and white French buses.

OTHER ROUTES

M. Paul Reynaud, the Conservative Vice-Premier, is known to favour trade in non-strategic goods with China as a means of decreasing tension and the businessmen themselves admit that, should an embargo be imposed on French exports to China, these would eventually reach Communist China in any case, although at much greater cost, via Finland or Switzerland.

A review of French export figures to Communist countries in Europe shows that the general trend is toward increasing French exports to Bulgaria, Poland and Rumania, and to increased two-way trade with East Germany and the Soviet Union.

French exports to the Soviet Union included such items as boilers, cables, artificial silk, wool and cork. In exchange the Russians provided caviars, crab meat and furs.—China Mail Special.

GRAINS IN CHICAGO

Chicago, Dec. 2.

Prices per bushel in cents: Closing Prices

Wheat No. 2 red Dec. 1 203 1/2 Jan. 1 203 1/2

Spot Dec. 1 203 1/2 Jan. 1 203 1/2

March 1954 203 1/2 May 1954 203 1/2

July 1954 203 1/2 Sept. 1954 203 1/2

Corn No. 2 yellow Dec. 1 102 1/2 Jan. 1 102 1/2

Spot Dec. 1 102 1/2 Jan. 1 102 1/2

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Oats Dec. 1 70 1/2 Jan. 1 70 1/2

Spot Dec. 1 70 1/2 Jan. 1 70 1/2

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Soybeans No. 2 yellow Dec. 1 312 1/2 Jan. 1 312 1/2

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US Commodity Prices

New York, Dec. 2. Commodity markets advanced along with a wide front today with cocoa, coffee and sugar leading the way.

Hides, lard, wool, tops, wool futures, copper, burlap and rubber shared in the rise.

Cocoa gained up to nearly the daily limit of one cent a pound, slumped from traders' pessimism of the West African crop prospects, just at a time when the world supply situation is tight.

At Chicago, wheat closed up 1/4 to 1/2 cents, corn up 1/4 to 1/2 cents, soybeans up 1/4 to 1/2 cents.

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